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Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:



This response is being filed concurrently with an RCE, and in light of the decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences mailed April 26, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.